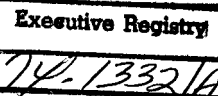


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The Honorable Henry A. Kissinger  
The Secretary of State  
Department of State  
Washington, D. C. 20520

Dear Henry:

I welcome the appointment of Ambassador Sheldon B. Vance as your Senior Adviser on narcotics matters and Executive Director of the Cabinet Committee on International Narcotics Control. Ambassador Vance is held in high esteem by all Agency officers who know him, a number of whom have served with him abroad.

Please be assured that this Agency will continue to provide the closest possible cooperation and support to Ambassador Vance as he carries out his international narcotics control responsibilities. This Agency has accorded a high priority to the collection of foreign narcotics intelligence, and we have allocated substantial resources to this important program.

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[redacted] will continue as this Agency's narcotics coordinator and my representative on the Cabinet Committee's Working Group.

Sincerely,

W. E. Colby

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Director